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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

| Application Number   | 09/540,963                  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Confirmation Number  | 2087                        |  |
| Filing Date          | March 31, 2000              |  |
| First Named Inventor | Thomas S. Kupper et al.     |  |
| Group Art Unit       | 1632                        |  |
| Examiner Name        | Anne Marie Sabrina<br>Wehbe |  |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

<u>NOTE</u>: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, **you** may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

| 1.               | Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114  |   |       |  |  |  |
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|                  | a. Previously submitted  |   |       |  |  |  |
|                  |  | İ.  | [ ]   | Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on . (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)  |  |  |
|                  |  | ii.   | [ ]   | Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .  |  |  |
|                  |  | iii.  | [ ]   | Other:   |  |  |
|                  | b. Enclosed is/are:  |   |       |  |  |  |
|                  |  | i. [X] Amendment/Reply  |       |  |  |  |
|                  |  | ii.   | []    | Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  |  |  |
|                  |  | iii.  | [ ]   | Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)   |  |  |
|                  |  | iv.   | [X]   | Other: Petition for 5 Months Extension of Time   |  |  |
| 2. Miscellaneous |  |   |       |  |  |  |
|                  | a.   | []  | for a | Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months) and the Fee of \$130.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. |  |  |
|                  | b.   |   |       |  |  |  |
| 3.               | Fees - The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed. |   |       |  |  |  |
|                  | a.   | a. [X] Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1390.00 which covers: |       |  |  |  |
|                  |  | i.  | [X]   | RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) of \$385.00   |  |  |
|                  |  | ii.   | [X]   | Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) of \$1005.00   |  |  |
|                  |  | iii.  | []    | Other  |  |  |
| 4.               |  |   |       | this RCE necessitates an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a), the applicant hereby a extension of time.   |  |  |

 If there is no check enclosed, or if the amount of the enclosed check in this RCE is incorrect, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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| 7. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED |   |  |
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| DATE   | MARCH 11, 2004                                |  |

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# **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed February 11, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed October 24, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.